DISTRICT REPORTS.

8. Markets how supplied.

9. Progress of agricultural operations, state of standing crops, prospects and probable outturn of harvests, serious damage done to crops by insects or other natural calamities.

10. Prospects of season, tracts in which the rainfall has been insufficient, areas affected by scarcity, number of people under relief, and state of food stocks.

11. Public health.

12. Remarks as to the condition of agricultural stock, failure of pasturage, of fodder, etc.

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	Average for the past five years of the corresponding week.	*Current.*	
Prices of food grains—Rice ...	7½	5¼ to 5½	seers per rupee.
Ragi ...	19	9½ to 10	

Agricultural operations.—Preparing thrashing floors.

Cattle are in good condition. Water and fodder sufficient.

BANGALORE CITY AND TALUKS.

8. Market well supplied for the present.

9. *Standing crops* are reported to be withering in some parts of the Magadi, Nelamangala, Bangalore, Anekal, Dodballapur and Hoskote Taluks and in Closepet; in other parts, they are in moderately good condition.

Damage to crops.—It is reported that avare is being damaged by insects in the Devanhalli Taluk.

Crops harvested.—Paddy in the Magadi, Channapatna, Devanhalli, Nelamangala, Bangalore and Anekal Taluks and in Closepet; ragi in the Kankanhalli and Devanhalli Taluks and in Closepet; kulthi in the Channapatna, Devanhalli, Nelamangala and Anekal Taluks, and sugar-cane in some parts of the Kankanhalli and Bangalore Taluks, are being harvested.

Outturn of crops.—

Paddy in Channapatna—Yield 7 annas.
" in Closepet— " 3 "
" in some parts of Nelamangala—Yield 3½ annas.
" in Anekal and Hoskote— " 5 "
Ragi and kulthi in some parts of Closepet—Yield 7 annas.
" " " Devanhalli and Hoskote—Yield 5 annas.
" " in the Anekal—Yield 12 annas.

10. Prospects of the season are reported to be not very promising except in the Bangalore, Anekal, Kankanhalli and Hoskote Taluks, where they are reported to be in fairly good condition. Rain is wanted throughout the district. Stock of food grains is sufficient for the present, but their prices are very high. People have come to Madabal in the Magadi Taluk from the Kunigal and other taluks in search of livelihood.

11. Public health generally good. But fever and cold are reported to be prevalent in parts of Magadi.

12. Cattle healthy. But "Dod Roga" in Bidadi, Closepet Sub-Taluk, and in Settikoppa, Kankanhalli Taluk and "Neradi Roga" in some parts of the Anekal Taluk, are reported to be still prevailing. Water is reported to be obtained with difficulty from wells in some parts of Closepet. Fodder is available for the present. Its insufficiency is reported from the Devanhalli Taluk and from Closepet. It is reported that cattle are being taken from the Virupakshipura Hobli, Channapatna Taluk, to the Madaktore Forest for grazing

KOLAR.

8. Market fairly well supplied.

9. *Standing crops* have been withering away throughout the district for want of rain.

Crops harvested.—Sugar-cane in parts of Mulbagal, Sidlaghatta and Bagepalli; kulthi in Sidlaghatta and Bagepalli; and ragi in almost all the taluks of the district.

Outturn of harvests.—

Sugar-cane in Bagepalli—Yield from 8 to 12 annas.
" in Sidlaghatta—" 4 to 8 "
" in Mulbagal— " do.
Same " " 2 to 6 "
Ragi—Yield from 2 to 6 annas on the average throughout the district.

10. Prospects of the season not satisfactory. Food stuffs available; but their prices continue to be very high.

11. Except for plague in parts of the Malur Taluk and small-pox in parts of Mulbagal, public health generally good.

12. It is reported that "Rinderpest" is still prevailing in parts of Mulbagal, Sidlaghatta and Bagepalli. Water and fodder sufficient for the present.

TUMKUR.

8. Supply in market is moderate.

9. *Standing crops.*—Dry crops, such as avare, togari, horse-gram, etc., have withered away in the Sira, Tiptur, Pavagada and Kunigal Taluks, and they are withering for want of rain in the other taluks. Nati ragi in the Sira, Maddagiri Taluks and Bengal gram in the Kunigal Taluk are in fair condition. In the Dodderi Hobli, Maddagiri Taluk, cholum is reported to have been attacked by "Side Hula."

Crops sown.—Bengal gram in the Gubbi and Kunigal Taluks; cholum in the Maddagiri, Gubbi and Pavagada Taluks; and paddy in the Maddagiri, Chiknayakanhalli and Pavagada Taluks and the Koratagere Sub-Taluk.

Crops harvested.—Ragi, avare, togari, horse-gram and castor in the Tumkur, Maddagiri, Chiknayakanhalli, Sira, Gubbi and Tiptur Taluks and the Turuvekere Sub-Taluk; horse-gram in the Pavagada Taluk and the Koratagere Sub-Taluk; and sugar-cane in the Kunigal Taluk.

10. Prospects of the season not satisfactory. Food stuffs are available for the present, but their prices continue to be high.

11. Except for small-pox in certain villages of the Maddagiri and Chiknayakanhalli Taluks, public health generally good.

12. "Dod Roga" among cattle in the Tumkur, Maddagiri, Chiknayakanhalli, Sira and Tiptur Taluks and the Koratagere Sub-Taluk is still prevailing. Owing to ragi and other crops having been harvested, fodder is procurable in limited quantities in all the taluks except portions of the Tumkur, Tiptur, Pavagada and Kunigal Taluks. Water scarcity is being felt in several villages of the Tumkur, Sira, Gubbi, Tiptur, Pavagada and Kunigal Taluks and the Turuvekere Sub-Taluk.

MYSORE.

8. Market fairly well supplied.

9. *Agricultural operations.*—Lands in parts of the Gundlupet Taluk are being ploughed and made ready for sowing kar seeds. Tank beds in parts of the Mandya Taluk are being ploughed and made ready for cultivation.

Standing crops.—Paddy, avare, castor, togari, hutchellu, horse-gram, Bengal gram, sugar-cane, tadagani, black gram and green gram in the Mysore Taluk; paddy, horse-gram, Bengal gram, green gram, black gram and avare in parts of the Heggaddevankote Taluk; and dry crops in parts of the Mandya Taluk are reported to be withering for want of rain. Bengal gram in parts of the Chamrajnagar Taluk is reported to have been infested with the insect called "Karagamaru". For want of water in the Sulekere and Kiragaval tanks in the Malvalli Taluk, crops under them are reported to be withering.

Crops harvested.—Paddy in parts of the Mysore, Chamrajnagar, Seringapatam, Hunsur, T.-Narsipur, Nanjangud and Malavalli Taluks; ragi in parts of the Chamrajnagar, T.-Narsipur, Nanjangud, Malvalli and Mandya Taluks; horse-gram in parts of the Mysore, Chamarajnagar, Nanjangud and T.-Narsipur Taluks. Togari in parts of the Hunsur, Heggaddevankote, and Nanjangud Taluks; navane in parts of the Malvalli and Mandya Taluks; haraka and samé in parts of the Malvalli Taluk; samé in parts of the Mandya Taluk. Tadagani, castor and black gram in parts of the Mysore Taluk.

Estimated outturn of crops :—

Seringapatam Taluk—Paddy, yield from 8 to 14 annas.
Ragi, yield 4 annas.
Heggaddevankote Taluk—Ragi, yield from 12 to 14 annas.
Malvalli Taluk—Ragi, navane, haraka and samé, yield 8 annas each.
Crops in parts of the Mandya Taluk, are estimated to be at less than 4 annas.
Nanjangud Taluk—Paddy, yield from 8 to 12 annas.
Ragi, yield from 2 to 8 annas.
Togari and horse-gram, yield from 3 to 8 annas each.

10. Prospects of the season indifferent in certain parts and not good in others. The standing crops are in urgent need of rain throughout the district. Food grains are now available with raiyats and merchants, but their prices are still high.

11. Except for plague in a few places in the district, public health generally good.

12. Cattle are suffering from "Dod Roga" in parts of the Mysore, Chamrajnagar Yedatore, Heggaddevankote and Gundlupet Taluks and from "Sappe Roga" in parts of the Mysore and Yedatore Taluks. Fodder scarce in parts of the Mandya and Nagamangala Taluks. It is diminishing in parts of the Nanjangud Taluk. In other parts, it is available for the present. It is reported that cattle from the Channarayapatna, Nagamangala, Krishnarajpete, Kunigal, Tiptur, Gubbi, Mandya Taluks and from Turuvekere, are being brought to the Hunsur kavals and that about 500 head of cattle from the Tiptur, Nagamangala and Kunigal Taluks, have been brought to Heggaddevankote, for grazing purposes. Water is available for the present. A large number of drinking water wells is being sanctioned wherever necessary.

HASSAN.

8. Market fairly well supplied.

9. *Agricultural operations.*—Wet lands are being ploughed in parts of the Manjarabad Taluk.

Standing crops.—Avare, Bengal gram, togari, castor, haraka, etc., in the Arsikere and Channarayapatna Taluks are reported to be withering for want of rain. Blackgram, castor avare, etc., in the Hassan, Arkalgud, Hole-Narsipur and Belur Taluks and the Alur Sub-Taluk urgently require rain.

Crops sown.—Bengal gram in the Channarayapatna and Belur Taluks in beds of tanks in which there is no water.

Damage to crops.—Castor plants in parts of the Javagal Hobli, Arsikere Taluk. are infested with "Kondli Hula."

Crops harvested.—Paddy in the Manjarabad and Channarayapatna Taluks and the Alur Sub-Taluk. Sugar-cane in the Channarayapatna Taluk and the Alur Sub-Taluk and togari and horse-gram in the Hole-Narsipur Taluk and the Alur Sub-Taluk; these are being harvested.

10. Prospects of the season generally fair, except in parts of the Arsikere and Channarayapatna Taluks, parts of the Dodda Kadnur Hobli in the Hole-Narsipur Taluk and parts of the Madihalli and Halebidu Hoblis, in the Belur Taluk, where they are not encouraging.

11. Except for plague in parts of the Hassan and Channarayapatna Taluks, public health generally good.

12. Cattle are generally in fair condition. "Dod Roga" is prevalent in parts of the Manjarabad, Arkalgud and Arsikere Taluks. Difficulty for water having been felt in the Taluks of Arsikere and Channarayapatna and parts of Belur, steps are being taken to sink new wells and deepen old ones, wherever necessary. Fodder is generally available. In parts of the Arsikere and Channarayapatna Taluks, dry up grass is being used as also jola and avare stalks in the Channarayapatna Taluk. It is reported that many cart loads of ragi and paddy straw are being taken to Arsikere for sale there from the Hassan Taluk. It is also reported that during the week, 40 head of cattle to the Belur Taluk and 470 to the Manjarabad Taluk were brought for grazing from the taluks of Arsikere and Channarayapatna of the Hassan District from the Gubbi, Kunigal and Tumkur Taluks of the Tumkur District and from the Nagamangala Taluk of the Mysore District. The total number of cattle thus brought is 971 to the Manjarabad Taluk and 1,461 to the Belur Taluk.

SHIMOGA.

8. Supply in markets moderate.

9. *Standing crops, viz.*, Bengal gram, cotton and white jola are in fair condition in the Channagiri Taluk; sugar-cane is reported to be in good condition in the Tirthahalli Taluk and in unsatisfactory condition for want of rain in the Honnali and Shikarpur Taluks.

Crops harvested.—Paddy in portions of the Sagar, Nagar and Tirthahalli Taluks and the Kumsi Sub-Taluk; ragi in the Shimoga, Channagiri, Honnali and Sorab Taluks; horse gram in the Channagiri, Honnali and Sorab Taluks; and arecanut in the Nagar Taluk. Sugar-cane is being milled in the Shimoga and Channagiri Taluks. Preparations are being made for its milling in the Shikarpur and Sagar Taluks.

Probable outturn of crops:—

Shimoga—Paddy, yield from 4 to 8 annas.
Channagiri—Paddy, yield from 4 to 8 annas.
Ragi, yield from 4 to 8 annas.
Other dry crops, yield 8 annas.
Honnali—Paddy, yield from 4 to 8 annas.
Shikarpur—Paddy, yield 8 annas.
Sugar-cane, yield 8 annas.
Dry crops, yield 2 annas.
Sorab—Paddy, yield 10 annas.
Ragi, yield 2 annas.
Horse gram, yield 4 annas.
Jola, yield 4 annas.
Sugar-cane, yield 10 annas.
Areca, yield 12 annas.

Sagar—Paddy, yield from 8 to 12 annas.
Nagar—Paddy, yield 14 annas.
Tirthahalli—Paddy, yield 10 annas.
Kumsi Sub-Taluk—Paddy, yield 14 annas.
Horse gram, yield 8 annas.
Ragi, yield 10 annas.

10. Prospects of the season not fair for want of timely rains. Food stuffs are available in limited quantities. Their prices are still on the rise.

11. Public health generally good. But plague continues still in portions of the Shimoga Taluk and the Kumsi Sub-Taluk.

12. Murrain still prevails in some parts of the Sorab, Sagar and Nagar Taluks. Herds of cattle from Hassan and its adjoining places have been brought to the Shimoga Taluk for pasture. Water and fodder are available for the present. Their want is felt in some parts of the Shimoga and Channagiri Taluks.

KADUR.

8. Market well supplied.

9. *Standing crops.*—
In Chikmagalur—Paddy, ragi, castor, avarè, gingelly, kulthi, coriander, Bengal gram, sugar-cane, wheat, jola and coffee.
In Kadur—Paddy, ragi, jola, avare, sugar-cane, coriander, Bengal-gram, chillies, wheat and kulthi.
In Tarikere—Paddy, ragi, kulthi, avare, jola, togari, navane, coriander, gingelly and sugar-cane.
In Koppa—Paddy, areca, sugar-cane, pepper and coffee.
In Mudgere—Paddy, ragi, coffee, cardamom and areca.
In Yedahalli—Paddy, sugar-cane, areca and coffee.
In Sringeri—Paddy and areca.
These have been withering for want of rain.

Crops harvested and their yield.—
In Chikmagalur—Paddy, ragi, coffee and sugar-cane, yield from 4 to 8 annas.
In Kadur—Paddy and sugar-cane, yield 8 annas; chillies, yield 4 annas; ragi and jola, yield 2 annas.
In Tarikere—Paddy, ragi, jola, kulthi and navane, yield from 4 to 8 annas.
In Koppa—Paddy and coffee, yield 8 annas.
In Mudgere—Paddy and coffee, yield 8 annas; cardamom, yield 6 annas; ragi, yield 4 annas.
In Yedahalli—Paddy and areca, yield from 4 to 8 annas.
In Sringeri— ,, yield 12 annas.

10. Prospects of the season not satisfactory. Rain is urgently wanted. Food stuffs are available, but their prices are high.

11. Public health generally good. But plague prevails still in certain villages of the Kadur and Tarikere Taluks.

12. Cattle generally healthy. Water and fodder are available in the malnad; but difficulty is felt in procuring them in the maidan parts of the district. It is reported that some cattle from the Kadur Taluk have been taken to the malnad parts for grazing purposes.

CHITALDRUG.

8. Market well supplied.

9. *Standing crops,* such as cotton, jola, Bengal gram, avaré, castor, paddy, sugar-cane, navané, chillies, horse gram and togari are reported to be withering for want of rain, except those under *Kapile* wells and channels, which are in fairly good condition.

Crops sown.—Paddy, jola, navanè, and wheat under wells in the Challakere Taluk; paddy under channels in the Hiriyur Taluk; and Bengal gram in tank beds in the Holalkere Taluk.

Crops harvested and their yield.—Horse gram in the Chitaldrug, Challakere, Holalkere and Davangere Taluks, yield from 2 to 8 annas. Sugar-cane in the Chitaldrug Taluk, yield from 4 to 8 annas. Paddy in the Chitaldrug, Challakere and Holalkere Taluks, yield from 4 to 8 annas. Sajjè, sanè, and ragi in the Challakere Taluk, yield from 1 to 8 annas. Ragi and navanè in the Davangere Taluk, yield from 2 to 8 annas. Togari, cotton and castor in the Holalkere Taluk, yield from 2 to 8 annas.

10. Prospects of the season fair, except in parts of the Hiriyur, Challakere, Hosdurga, Jagalur, Davangere and Chitaldrug Taluks. Food stuffs available.

11. Public health generally good.

12. Cattle healthy, except in parts of the Chitaldrug and Holalkere Taluks, where Rinderpest prevails. Water and fodder available, except in parts of the Hiriyur, Challakere, Hosdurga and Chitaldrug Taluks.

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